

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) A system for sending a voice message to a called party, such that the message is received by the called party in a non-voice format, comprising:

- i. a Call Answering System (CAS) for processing and handling the voice message; and
- ii. an Automatic Voice Recognition Server (AVRS) for converting the voice message sent to said CAS to a non-voice format, and transferring said converted message to said CAS;

wherein said CAS and said AVRS further enable replying to the converted voice message by a voice message reply, such that said voice message reply is converted to a non-voice format, and transferred in said non-voice format to a subscriber.

2. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein said CAS is operatively connected to at least one communication interface selected from the group consisting of an e-mail interface, IM interface, SMS interface and Fax interface.

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3. (original) The system of claim 2, wherein said CAS is operative to transmit a converted message to at least one of a plurality of communications devices selected from the group consisting of Fax enabled devices, e-Mail enabled devices, Instant Messaging enabled devices, and SMS enabled devices.

4. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein said CAS is operative to affect an automatic translation of a voice message into text, and to automatically transfer said text to a user as at least one SMS message.

5. (canceled):

6. (currently amended) A system for enabling a calling party to use voice narration to send at least one short message service (SMS) message to a wireless communications device, comprising:

- i. a voice-enabled communications device for composing a voice message;
- ii. a call answering system (CAS) for processing and handling said message; ~~and~~
- iii. an Automatic Voice Recognition Server for converting said message to text, and transferring said text to said CAS; and

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iv. an Interactive Voice Response System for selecting a pre-prepared message from a plurality of available pre-prepared messages;

wherein said CAS provides a text message, wherein the text message includes the pre-prepared message and said text.

AS 7. (currently amended): A system for enabling a message receiver to reply to a message by sending at least one short message service (SMS) message, such that the SMS message is composed using voice via a voice-enabled communications device, comprising:

i. a communications device with voice transmission capability, for composing a voice message;

ii. a call answering system (CAS) for processing and handling said voice message;

iii. an Automatic Voice Recognition Server for converting said voice message to text message portion, and transferring said text message portion to said CAS,

iv an Interactive Voice Response System for selecting a pre-prepared message from a plurality of available pre-prepared messages, wherein said CAS provides a text message that includes the pre-prepared message and the text message portion; and

ivv. a SMS application tool for converting said text message to a SMS compatible message.

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8. (currently amended). The system of claim 7, wherein ~~said composing a message is performed by using a composing mechanism selected from the group consisting of: choosing a pre-recorded message, selecting and adding to a pre-recorded message, such that a part of said prepared message is taken from said pre-recorded message, and at least one additional part of said composed~~said pre-prepared message is chosen by a calling party~~said CGP~~, and composing a message by speech.

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9. (currently amended): A method for automatically completing a voice call via non-voice medium, comprising:

preparing a textual message from a voice message; and

~~vi-~~transmitting said text message to a communications device by a Call Answering System (CAS);

wherein said text message includes a pre-prepared message selected from a plurality of available pre-prepared messages, and a text portion converted from the voice message.

10. (canceled).

11. (currently amended) The method of claim ~~10~~9, wherein ~~said preparing of said textual message includes selecting and adding to a pre-recorded message, such that a part of said~~

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~~prepared message is taken from said pre-recorded message, and at least one additional part of
said composed said pre-prepared message is chosen by a calling party said CGP.~~

12. (currently amended): A method for switching a message medium from voice to text,
within the course of a calling party's deposit process, comprising:

AS a. converting a voice message to a text format portion using an Automatic Voice
Recognition Server, such that said voice message is converted before having entered a voice mail
box;

b. preparing a text message, wherein said text message includes a pre-prepared message
selected from a plurality of available pre-prepared messages, and the text format portion; and

~~b~~c. transmitting said text message to a destination communications device.

13. (currently amended): A method for receiving voice-messages in non-voice format,
comprising:

i. receiving a voice message, by a Call Answering System (CAS);

ii. converting said voice message into a textual format portion, by an Automatic Voice
Recognition Server (AVRS);

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iii. preparing a text message, wherein said text message includes a pre-prepared message selected from a plurality of available pre-prepared messages, and the textual format portion; and

~~iiiiv. transferring~~ transferring of said textual format text message, by said CAS, to a user.

(X) 14. (currently amended) The method of claim 13, wherein said textual format message is ~~delivered~~ delivered as a SMS message to said user.

15. (currently amended): A system for receiving a voice message from a calling party, such that the message is received in a non-voice format, comprising:

- i. a Call Answering System (CAS) for processing and handling the voice message; and
- ii. an Automatic Voice Recognition Server (AVRS) for converting the voice message sent to said CAS to a non-voice format, and transferring said converted message to said CAS;

wherein said CAS provides a text message, wherein said text message includes a pre-prepared message selected from a plurality of available pre-prepared messages, and the converted message.

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Please add the following new claims:

16. (new): The system of claim 6, wherein the plurality of available pre-prepared messages are pre-programmed by a called party.

17. (new) The system of claim 7, wherein the plurality of available pre-prepared messages are pre-programmed by a called party.

18. (new): The system of claim 9, wherein the plurality of available pre-prepared messages are pre-programmed by a called party.

19. (new): The method of claim 12, wherein the plurality of available pre-prepared messages are pre-programmed by a called party.

20. (new): The method of claim 13, wherein the plurality of available pre-prepared messages are pre-programmed by a called party.

21. (new): The system of claim 15, wherein the plurality of available pre-prepared messages are pre-programmed by a called party.

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22. (new). A system for enabling a calling party to send at least one text message to a called party, comprising:

- i. a call answering system (CAS) for processing and handling a text message, and
- ii. an Interactive Voice Response System for allowing the calling party to select a pre-prepared message from a plurality of available pre-prepared messages;

AS wherein the CAS provides the text message to the called party, the text message including the pre-prepared message.

23. (new): The system of claim 22, further comprising a SMS application tool for converting said text message to a SMS compatible message.

24. (new): The system of claim 22, further comprising

- iii. an Automatic Voice Recognition Server for converting a voice message to a text message portion;

wherein the text message includes the pre-prepared message and the text message portion.